श्री सभापति: समानान्तर व्यवस्था चल रही है उसमें यह बैग्ज़ इस्तेमाल हो रहे हैं? सवाल तो यह बैग्ज़ के बारे में है सत्या बहिन। देखिए पूरा डिपार्टमेंट का एक सप्लीमेंट्री में नहीं आता। इसलिए जो प्रश्न है उस पर ही सप्लीमेंट्री उठेगा।

श्रीमती सत्या बहिन: अच्छा जी।

SHRI NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Sir, once the Postal Department was an effective and efficient department. The situation has changed nowadays. Thefts, corruption and irregularities are taking place. One of the main reasons for this is the acute shortage of staff. There has been no recruitment in the Postal Department for the last ten years. The budget estimates for 1988-89 are 50 crores.

MR. CHAIRMAN : This question is about bags.

SHRI NARREDDY THULASI REDDY : I am asking a general question about the Postal Department. Are you going to recuit more postal staff and are you going to increase the central plan outlay for the Postal Department in 1989-90?

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question does not arise. The present question deals with bags.

SHRI NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Sir, it is a general question about the Postal Department.

MR. CHAIRMAN : It does not mean that you can ask anything about the Postal Department. The question is restricted to bags. Before you started asking your supplementary, I told you that.

SHRI NARREDDY THULASI REDDY :
One of the main reasons for these thefts, corruption and irregularities is the acute shortage of staff. So, are you going to increase the postal staff?

MR. CHAIRMAN : Are you going to increase the staff so that the bags may not be stolen? I am trying to put it within the purview of the question. क्या आप स्टाफ बढ़ाएंगे? इनका सवाल है आप स्टाफ बढ़ाएंगे ताकि बैग कम खराब हों।

श्री वीर बहादुर सिंह: इसका स्टाफ से कोई संबंध नहीं है।

श्री सभापति: इनका सवाल है कि इससे बैग कम खराब होते हैं।

श्री वीर बहादुर सिंह: ऐसा नहीं है। इसकी आवश्यकता नहीं है।

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श्री जसवंत सिंह: सभापति महोदय, वह जवाब देने खड़े हो गए और इन्होंने अभी सवाल पूछा नहीं।

श्री सभापति: वे समझते हैं एक दूसरे की बोली। एक ही जगह से आ रहे हैं। ....(**व्यवधान**)..... तो सवाल रखा है, उसी का जवाब दे रहे हैं।

Central assistance to set up new industrial projects in Andhra Pradesh

*244. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY : The Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of Central assistance given to industrial projects set up in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) whether there is any proposal to set up more such projects in the State during the year 1989-90; and

(c) if so, by when these projects are likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) No new Central Public Enterprise has been set up in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years. However, the total investment in terms of Gross Block in the existing enterprises in Andhra Pradesh has increased by Rs. 4296.20 crores during this period.

(b) No, Sir. There is no such proposal to set up more public sector units in Andhra Pradesh during 1989-90.

(c) Does not arise.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Sir, the answer to my question by the Minister is most disappointing, and it is most unfair on the part of the Minister not to give any attention to the most populous State in the country. Sir, Andhra Pradesh is one of the most populous States, and it has got numerous problems. There are certain areas which are very bachward which need industrial development. And the Minister's statement has said that there is no such proposal to establish Centrally-assisted industries in the State. For the last three years, there was no such thing...

MR. CHAIRMAN: In the normal way, they assist you also. If you put up an industry in a backward area, in the normal way they will assist you...

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Sir, the question is about Central sector...

AN HON. MEMBER: It is about Central investment

MR. CHAIRMAN: You mean investment? The two are different.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: That was my question, Sir.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You have used the word 'assistance'.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Central assistance.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Assistance will apply to the cases of backward districts and others where the Central assistance is there, and the Central sector is different...

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: It covers the whole thing, Sir.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: My question was about the proposal to put up more such industries in the State by the Centre. That was part of my question. So, the answer was most dis-appointing, Sir. Sir, there was a proposal to have a petro-chemical complex at Visakhapatnam. That is an important project. That has been pending with the Central Government. No action has been taken so far in this regard... As a matter of fact, the State Government has requested the Goverment of India in October, 1987 to render all necessary assistance in bringing the project to function...

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: That is the assistance.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: That is the Central assistance. I am giving the concrete examples. So far the Central Government has not taken any steps in this direction. As a matter of fact, a Japanese consortium has promised financial assistance. The Government of India should have accorded permission without any delay But, so far, nothing has been done Similarly, another important project is in the most backward area of Andhra Pradesh, specially Telengana region, *i.e.* Medak district. The project is for the manufacture of colour picture tubes.

That is also pending. The proposal is to manufacture 5-lakh colour tubes per annum in Medak district. As a matter of fact, Medak district has been declared as backward by the Central Government. But so far no steps have been taken. Similarly, the Andhra Pradesh Electronic Development Corporation Ltd. has requested the Government of India for approval of location of a project at Kondapalli near Vijayawada for the manufacture of colour picture tubes. Nothing has been done so far. Recently, Sir, I have asked a question but the answer is unsatisfactory. And the Warrangal district...

MR. CHAIRMAN : Now you please answer

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY. Only one connected thing...

MR. CHAIRMAN : You cannot go on asking questions for one hour.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Only one point, Sir.

SHRI ALADI ARUNA *alias* V. ARUNACHALAM : This is a discussion on the industrial development of Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Similarly, there are two other proposals, one in the district of Warrangal regarding the establishment of a propellant factory and another aluminium project at Visakhapatnam. But no steps have been taken. I would like to know from the Minister, he is the Industry Minister and he knows everything, why no action has been taken.

MR. CHAIRMAN: He is the Industry Minister of India. *(Interruptions)*

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: How long will they take to give permission in this regard?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, I am requesting you to read the question once again. This question relates to Central investment in the last three years. I have answered the question. Now ... *(Interruptions)*.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: It is about Central assistance and not investment.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Please hear me patiently. Sir, the investment in Andhra Pradesh is the third highest in the country.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Because of the Visakhapatnam steel plant.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: On the population basis it ranks seventh, on area basis it ranks ninth. First Maharashtra, second Madhya Pradesh, third Andhra Pradesh, investment is very high. One thing I want to tell you here. The Hon. Member asked so many questions, he asked information about so many projects. But they are short of power Now there is 40 per cent cut in power. It is not available even for the steel plant. Already we have invested Rs. 7,000 crores. We have to invest another Rs. 5,00 crores. But they are not in a position to supply water and power to the steel plant

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: That is not the question.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Right now the Government has assured that they will give it by June. Why is he saying that?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Which June? Every year one June comes Which June they will give? They had promised to give in 1988 June Yesterday I visited a part of the canal They are not in a position to give

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: It is not a part of the question.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: In 1989 June also they cannot give. Probably in 1990 June they can give. Every time we are incurring Rs. 1 crore by way of interest, which we are losing.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: The State Government has assured that by the time the plant is ready, they will supply the water. Why is he misrepresenting the facts?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Plant we are commencing from 31st March. But there is no water, no power. What are you talking?

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Sir, the question is whether he is going to give more industries to the State. That is the question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: In order that there may be industries in a State, power is an essential input. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: The existing industries are starving, Sir. Some are closing. They are not in a position to give power. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: The only thing is that they are out of power. That is the trouble now. Whenever they are out of power, they think of "power".

DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Now they are showing utmost partiality. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI J VENGAL RAO: According to Mr. Upendra, we are out of power but they are in trouble.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: The troubles in all the opposition parties are not even equal to your trouble in one State of Bihar. Your Bihar is enough for all the troubles of the opposition parties.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Mr. Upendra, you have lost your hold in Telugu Desam, What are you talking. (*Interruptions*).

MR. CHAIRMAN: The Minister has answered that for these if the State Government promises water and power he will consider it.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Sir I am sorry...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Don't be sorry.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Mr. Chairman, Sir, I am sorry that the Minister has chosen this forum to utilise it for his political ends against the State Government (*Interruptions*). Whatever the Minister has said, these are usually, the words which he uses at public meetings in villages. This is not the place where he should give such answers. This is not the place where he should give such answers. As a matter of fact, these projects are pending for the last 3-4 years.

MR. CHAIRMAN: He has given the answer.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: There is surplus electricity during the last two years. This is not the way the Minister should mislead the House and the country. I want to know whether the Minister is sincere in pursuing these projects which are pending with the Central Government, projects which need central assistance. Then part (b) of my question is: 'Whether there is any proposal to set up more such projects in the State during

1989-90' and the Minister says there is no such proposal. So, I would like to know whether Central Government has got any plans to develop the backward areas of different States; I particularly ask about Andhra Pradesh. I would like to know how the Central Government is going to have more Centrally-assisted projects in that State– or whether he is going to give up these plans.

MR. CHAIRMAN: He is asking whether you would give assistance for the backward areas of Andhra Pradesh also.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Andhra Pradesh is third in the country.

MR. CHAIRMAN: He is asking for backward areas. Naturally you are the Government of India and the answer is that Government of India will give help to all backward districts including Andhra Pradesh. That is all.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Without power, what is the use of giving industries?

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: This is not the way the Minister should answer. I would seek your protection, Sir. Let him say whether there is any plan by the Central Government to assist the State.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: They are not interested in projects; they are fighting among themselves; they are not interested in projects.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: I take strong objection against the Minister's statement. This is not the way-...(*Interruptions*).

MR. CHAIRMAN: Don't indulge in these things.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: In Bihar, in Rajasthan– in every state they are fighting...

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: They could not appoint the executive committee so far for the Pradesh Congress Committee and they are accusing us. They should have some sort of shame.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Mr. Upendra knows very well about all these things.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Both of you from Andhra Pradesh know; only I don't know.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: Sir, Telugu Desam Members should not raise questions on Industry Ministry since both of them fight and we are unnecessarily wasting our time. That would be the best solution, I think.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Unfortunately he is the Minister for Industry; what can we do?

श्री सभापति: आपके प्रदेश को इन्डस्ट्री मिनिस्टर मिल गया, अब इन्डस्ट्री लेकर क्या करोगे?

(व्यवधान)

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: The Minister says you are at No.3 in the country as a whole and you are not having industries. You do not want to use your own...

MR. CHAIRMAN: They want to take Maharashtra as well.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, once Andhra Pradesh was number one; unfortunately, in their regime, it came to third...

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: ... Only because of him.

SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: I have been in Hyderabad in the recent past thrice. I would like to know whether it is a fact that more than needed Central assistance is going to

industrial projects in and around Hyderabad, making the city of Hyderabad a choking city in regard to congestion and pollution. May I know from the hon. Minister, in order to save this beautiful city from the dangers of congestion and pollution, what steps are proposed to be taken?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Will you see to it that the industries around do not pollute the atmosphere?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, under the new Industrial Policy, we are not licensing industries within a radius of 50 kms. of important cities. Therefore, there is no question of that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You are seeing to it that there will be no pollution?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, if Mr. Satyanarayan Reddy wants detailed answers for his questions, if he puts a separate question I will answer them.

MR. CHAIRMAN: This is Mr. Bir Bhadra Pratap Singh's question.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Sir, when the hon. Minister is short of facts, he is longwinded in his answers and we are always like a red rag to the bull. But we cannot help it. I would like to ask two specific questions. One is in regard to the colour picture tube factory at Kondapalli...

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: This is not part of the question.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA This is part of the question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: This is in regard to the public sector.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: There is no plan to have a public sector colour picture tube project.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: He does not know anything. That is why I said he is short of facts.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You cannot say that.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Let him give a satisfactory answer. Let me complete my question.

Sir, there was a proposal for a colour picture tube factory at Kondapalli near Vijayawada. The State Electronics Corporation has signed a memorandum of understanding with the Philips who want to invest. Sir, in this connection, I would like to point out that they have cleared two projects: one in Punjab and the other in U.P. But this project in Andhra Pradesh has not been cleared till today. I would like to know specifically why this project has not been cleared till now. Secondly, —part (b) of my question— there was a proposal for a Alumina factory at Krishnadevipeta near Visakhapatnam. The Soviet Union prepared a feasibility report as far back as in 1980. Subsequently, they watered it down. They dropped the proposal for the Alumina factory and now they want to have only a bauxite complex there. This also has not progressed. I would like to know why these two projects have not been cleared by the Central Government so far; why they are not going ahead

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, the question is about setting up of public sector undertakings.

MR CHAIRMAN: Is the bauxite project with Russian help?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, there is no proposal in the Seventh Plan. It will come in the Eighth Plan. (*Interruptions*)